

LOCHHRA EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

December 2025

- For December 2025, WV WORKS cases statewide decreased to **4,254**, down **67** cases, compared to November 2025's **4,321** cases.
- Adult WV WORKS cases statewide for December 2025 are **1,170**, down **38** cases, compared to November 2025's **1,208** cases.
- Child-only cases statewide for December 2025 are **3,084**, down **29** cases, compared to November 2025's **3,113** cases.
- Total support service payments for December 2025 totaled **\$166,213** down **\$8,332** from November 2025's **\$174,545**.

From December 1st, 2001, through December 31st, 2025, **3,699** WV WORKS cases have closed due to the adult(s) reaching the 60-month limit of that amount, **2,133** customers requested an extension of benefits up to an additional 6-month period; **919** of which were approved (for a **43.1%** approval rate).

**WV WORKS Caseload
December 2025**

County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Barbour (01)	33	31	32	24	20	21	24	26	29	34	29	26
Berkeley (02)	302	315	310	306	297	277	272	269	274	270	251	248
Boone (03)	82	86	87	87	88	82	82	85	86	88	86	80
Braxton (04)	22	23	20	18	17	17	19	18	18	17	19	18
Brooke (05)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cabell (06)	278	288	272	278	276	268	259	270	284	270	254	253
Calhoun (07)	21	21	21	21	21	18	16	17	16	18	17	16
Clay (08)	36	39	38	38	36	31	31	30	25	24	22	25
Doddridge (09)	17	18	16	15	14	12	13	11	12	12	12	12
Fayette (10)	106	110	112	115	117	117	119	119	115	115	116	118
Gilmer (11)	14	14	13	12	13	12	12	13	11	10	10	12
Grant (12)	25	25	25	26	25	22	20	19	22	24	24	23
Greenbrier (13)	63	61	64	63	64	60	66	70	72	75	70	71
Hampshire (14)	60	61	56	59	56	52	51	54	53	53	47	48
Hancock (15)	91	91	88	84	86	86	83	81	81	80	80	81
Hardy (16)	36	36	36	32	32	31	30	28	23	23	26	28
Harrison (17)	147	144	148	147	142	140	142	137	143	148	136	138

Jackson	(18)	75	79	79	79	78	80	78	81	81	81	82	76
Jefferson	(19)	77	77	78	78	73	60	57	58	56	54	56	54
Kanawha	(20)	547	526	517	494	496	467	471	486	495	485	485	472
Lewis	(21)	34	37	32	33	32	32	37	35	35	37	38	34
Lincoln	(22)	95	93	91	92	98	103	98	100	106	105	103	97
Logan	(23)	139	137	131	127	122	121	119	119	115	113	111	110
Marion	(24)	154	153	149	155	156	161	162	166	166	155	143	138
Marshall	(25)	79	78	84	87	90	93	85	82	83	86	80	77
Mason	(26)	102	100	91	91	92	85	89	90	82	76	74	71
Mercer	(27)	221	216	215	214	219	215	210	216	216	210	208	196
Mineral	(28)	55	58	57	54	55	53	54	50	49	47	45	46
Mingo	(29)	93	96	96	97	94	90	94	91	90	98	93	93
Monongalia	(30)	110	110	107	106	102	104	102	104	110	114	104	108
Monroe	(31)	24	22	19	20	22	25	28	28	24	24	21	22
Morgan	(32)	30	32	29	28	27	27	28	31	27	26	26	26
McDowell	(33)	110	112	106	110	108	107	112	111	114	114	112	110
Nicholas	(34)	66	68	66	69	67	65	59	56	60	63	58	55
Ohio	(35)	62	61	61	63	61	53	52	53	60	59	58	54
Pendleton	(36)	11	12	13	12	12	10	10	12	11	13	13	14
Pleasants	(37)	22	23	23	22	21	17	18	18	20	17	15	15

Pocahontas (38)	14	12	12	13	13	13	12	12	11	11	13	12
Preston (39)	83	83	88	87	86	85	86	86	83	85	86	85
Putnam (40)	110	109	109	110	109	108	109	108	109	106	107	105
Raleigh (41)	196	195	193	184	184	181	181	190	193	189	183	192
Randolph (42)	45	44	43	41	38	42	44	46	44	42	41	40
Ritchie (43)	16	17	17	20	21	21	19	19	15	15	15	15
Roane (44)	38	37	33	34	33	33	31	35	34	33	28	28
Summers (45)	48	48	48	49	50	48	47	49	48	45	47	47
Taylor (46)	27	28	28	28	25	21	20	23	22	23	24	22
Tucker (47)	9	10	9	9	10	9	8	6	6	8	9	9
Tyler (48)	29	26	26	26	25	25	22	25	23	25	25	25
Upshur (49)	51	49	47	48	48	47	48	51	48	52	50	49
Wayne (50)	138	139	140	145	144	144	144	147	144	145	140	137
Webster (51)	32	31	30	30	32	32	29	31	29	27	24	23
Wetzel (52)	49	56	53	52	53	46	51	53	52	52	52	51
Wirt (53)	31	32	31	34	32	29	30	29	29	26	24	24
Wood (54)	295	301	310	320	318	303	301	295	299	295	277	276
Wyoming (55)	68	70	65	60	56	55	55	57	54	50	52	49
TOTAL	4,718	4,740	4,664	4,646	4,606	4,465	4,439	4,496	4,507	4,467	4,321	4,254

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**Characteristics of the
Current WV WORKS Caseload**

December 2025

3,084	Child-only cases ---- parents <u>not in</u> the home and children living with a relative, or parents in the home, are receiving Medicaid and are excluded from the WV WORKS payment.
16	Cases currently receiving WV WORKS and received TANF in another state before moving to West Virginia.
77	Cases where parents are excluded from the payment due to being convicted of a drug-related felony after August 22, 1996.
1,155	Cases receiving Medicaid but not SNAP.
35	Cases receiving SNAP but adults not receiving Medicaid.
1,352	Adults receiving WV WORKS and are employed.

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Support Services Payments: Types and Amounts December 2025

TYPE	Current WV WORKS	FORMER WV WORKS	# OF PAYMENTS	AVERAGE PAYMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Clothing: work or dress clothing when there is a verified offer of employment or short-term training. \$1000/lifetime Only \$200/12 Month Period	\$2,642.56	\$8,927.06	53	\$218.29	\$11,569.62
Collateral: items to include grooming expenses, test fees and other expenses related to employment. \$450 / 12 Month Period	\$4,809.14	\$11,991.49	52	\$323.09	\$16,800.63
Car Repair: for personally owned vehicles; including tires, mufflers, or brakes necessary to pass state inspection, state inspection stickers, license plates, vehicle insurance, and driver's education classes. Funds cannot be used to purchase a vehicle. \$2,000 Lifetime / Per Household	\$24,628.61	\$6,688.89	42	\$745.65	\$31,317.50
Commercial Driver's License: payment to purchase license. \$100 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contract Training: training contracts may be written when training is not available on a no-cost basis; can be provided to an individual or group of participants; expectation is that the individual will be able to find employment after successfully completing the training. *Costs exceeding this amount require DFA approval. \$600 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Driver/Chauffeurs License: does not include payment for tests required due to traffic violations or classes required for DUI convictions. \$50 Lifetime	\$145.00	\$7.50	4	\$38.13	\$152.50
DUI Offenses: costs related to reinstatement of driver's license which have been revoked due to substance abuse; including DUI classes, license reinstatement fees, new license, and ignition interlock system; but <u>does not</u> include fines, treatment programs or tests for drug/alcohol use. \$750 Lifetime	\$3,224.42	\$788.72	8	\$501.64	\$4,013.14
Employer Incentive Program (EIP): agreements between employers and local DHHR offices placing WV WORKS recipients in jobs; employers reimbursed one-half of employee's wages for first 200-600 work hours under these contracts.	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Employment Subsidy: reimbursement of wages to employers who hire TANF participants. \$5,000 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
GED Achievement Bonus: one-time-only payment for any active WV WORKS recipient who passes the GED examination. \$100 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00

Support Services Payments: Types and Amounts December 2025

TYPE	Current WV WORKS	FORMER WV WORKS	# OF PAYMENTS	AVERAGE PAYMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Participation Achievement Bonus: paid when the participant meets minimum Federal participation requirements. <i>\$50 Month Limit</i>	\$10,350.00	\$0.00	207	\$50.00	\$10,350.00
Professional License: when the cost of the license is not paid by the employer or is not included in the cost of a training course and obtaining the license is part of the course completion. <i>\$300 Lifetime</i>	\$428.00	\$0.00	3	\$142.67	\$428.00
Relocation: with a verified offer of employment, families can be relocated to a different state, different areas of the state or to the same area if the move reduces travel time to one hour or less. <i>\$1,500 Lifetime Per Household</i>	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Six-Month Self-Sufficiency Achievement Bonus Bonuses paid to each former recipient who is employed full-time during each of the months following case closure. <i>\$750 Lifetime</i>	\$1,500.00	\$750.00	9	\$250.00	\$2,250.00
Tools/Equipment: when needed for a verified offer of employment or specialized training. <i>\$1,000 Lifetime</i>	\$3,312.27	\$437.79	14	\$267.86	\$3,750.06
Transportation: payments made based on travel to employment or a work activity when a cost involved; public transportation reimbursed at actual cost. <i>\$345 Month Limit</i>	\$69,523.41	\$3,165.00	384	\$189.29	\$72,688.41
Vocational Educational and Employment Achievement Bonus: a one-time only payment paid to Work-Eligible individuals in active WV WORKS cases who complete Vocational Educational Training and accept employment of at least 20 hours per week. <i>\$250 Lifetime</i>	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	6	\$250.00	\$1,500.00
Vehicle Insurance: payment for vehicle insurance premium; must be titled or leased in name of adult in WV WORKS payment. <i>\$1,500 Lifetime</i>	\$8,456.24	\$2,936.59	36	\$316.47	\$11,392.83
TOTALS	\$130,519.65	\$35,693.04	818	\$0.00	\$166,212.69

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**Length of Time on Assistance
December 2025**

NUMBER OF MONTHS	NUMBER OF CASES
12 mos. or less	461
13 – 24	287
25 – 36	173
37 – 48	99
49 – 60	75
60+	0
TANF ADULT ONLY CASES	1,095

Child-only cases not included.

WV WORKS Closures Due to Expiration of 60 Months

Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo. / Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures
12/01	108																
1/02	40	1/03	19	1/04	31	1/05	39	1/06	24	1/07	15	1/08	17	1/09	24	1/10	23
2/02	23	2/03	25	2/04	20	2/05	24	2/06	24	2/07	17	2/08	14	2/09	11	2/10	21
3/02	29	3/03	20	3/04	23	3/05	20	3/06	21	3/07	19	3/08	17	3/09	13	3/10	16
4/02	21	4/03	26	4/04	28	4/05	24	4/06	18	4/07	10	4/08	15	4/09	14	4/10	15
5/02	25	5/03	26	5/04	25	5/05	20	5/06	22	5/07	15	5/08	7	5/09	16	5/10	24
6/02	44	6/03	34	6/04	36	6/05	23	6/06	25	6/07	18	6/08	13	6/09	14	6/10	26
7/02	29	7/03	25	7/04	28	7/05	25	7/06	27	7/07	14	7/08	6	7/09	14	7/10	16
8/02	18	8/03	32	8/04	22	8/05	22	8/06	18	8/07	14	8/08	13	8/09	17	8/10	19
9/02	21	9/03	37	9/04	30	9/05	30	9/06	14	9/07	14	9/08	13	9/09	20	9/10	16
10/02	28	10/03	31	10/04	27	10/05	23	10/06	11	10/07	7	10/08	12	10/09	13	10/10	17
11/02	22	11/03	30	11/04	33	11/05	27	11/06	9	11/07	13	11/08	16	11/09	16	11/10	16
12/02	33	12/03	27	12/04	24	12/05	25	12/06	7	12/07	21	12/08	7	12/09	8	12/10	19
TOTALS	441		332		327		302		220		177		150		180		228

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1/11	23	1/12	11	1/13	17	1/14	11	1/15	2	1/16	5	1/17	6	1/18	7	1/19	4
2/11	23	2/12	21	2/13	13	2/14	17	2/15	3	2/16	6	2/17	6	2/18	7	2/19	2
3/11	18	3/12	16	3/13	16	3/14	10	3/15	5	3/16	3	3/17	6	3/18	8	3/19	3
4/11	18	4/12	10	4/13	18	4/14	14	4/15	12	4/16	6	4/17	4	4/18	3	4/19	5
5/11	22	5/12	16	5/13	12	5/14	19	5/15	9	5/16	6	5/17	10	5/18	5	5/19	3
6/11	23	6/12	14	6/13	14	6/14	7	6/15	10	6/16	12	6/17	8	6/18	6	6/19	3
7/11	18	7/12	24	7/13	8	7/14	10	7/15	5	7/16	3	7/17	3	7/18	5	7/19	9
8/11	19	8/12	16	8/13	22	8/14	14	8/15	8	8/16	6	8/17	9	8/18	6	8/19	5
9/11	14	9/12	18	9/13	9	9/14	1	9/15	5	9/16	5	9/17	9	9/18	4	9/19	2
10/11	13	10/12	19	10/13	13	10/14	4	10/15	8	10/16	7	10/17	7	10/18	2	10/19	1
11/11	18	11/12	15	11/13	15	11/14	1	11/15	9	11/16	7	11/17	5	11/18	7	11/19	5
12/11	12	12/12	21	12/13	14	12/14	0	12/15	12	12/16	3	12/17	2	12/18	3	12/19	4
TOTALS	221		201		171		108		88		69		75		63		46

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1/20	2	1/21	6	1/22	4	1/23	3	1/24	4	1/25	2						
2/20	3	2/21	8	2/22	7	2/23	4	2/24	1	2/25	1						
3/20	1	3/21	6	3/22	4	3/23	2	3/24	6	3/25	2						
4/20	4	4/21	4	4/22	5	4/23	4	4/24	5	4/25	6						
5/20	1	5/21	7	5/22	4	5/23	2	5/24	6	5/25	6						
6/20	5	6/21	7	6/22	4	6/23	4	6/24	3	6/25	5						
7/20	7	7/21	9	7/22	5	7/23	1	7/24	0	7/25	4						
8/20	5	8/21	9	8/22	5	8/23	4	8/24	4	8/25	6						
9/20	5	9/21	4	9/22	1	9/23	3	9/24	6	9/25	2						
10/20	8	10/21	2	10/22	4	10/23	6	10/24	2	10/25	2						
11/20	5	11/21	6	11/22	2	11/23	6	11/24	3	11/25	2						
12/20	5	12/21	6	12/22	4	12/23	4	12/24	2	12/25	4						
TOTALS	51		74		49		43		41		42						

Total 60-Month TANF Closures from December 2001 through December 2025 = 3,699

60-Month TANF Limit Extension Report for December 2025:

Number of requests for extension received to date: 2,133

Number of requests approved to date: 919

Of the 919 cases approved through December 2025 for extension, 640 were for 6 months, and 279 were for periods of 1-5 months.